

# CCBHC Monthly Forum

## April 30, 2025

Presented by: Colorado's Behavioral Health Administration and  
the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing



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# Our Missions

BHA

Co-create a people-first behavioral health system that meets the needs of all people in Colorado

HCPF

Improving health care equity, access and outcomes for the people we serve while saving Coloradans money on health care and driving value for Colorado.

# What We Do

## HCPF:

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing administers Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program), Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) and other health care programs for Coloradans who qualify.

## BHA:

The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) is the state administration responsible for ensuring all people in Colorado have access to quality mental health and substance use disorder services, regardless of where they live, or ability to pay.

# Agenda

- CCBHC Planning Grant Updates
- Subcommittee Work Updates
- Next Steps
- Questions and Discussion

# Federal and State Legislator Action Impact

**BHA and HCPF will continue to pay close attention to information from the federal level. It remains both BHA and HCPF's goals to facilitate the important work of Colorado's providers and advocates.**

# CCBHC Planning Grant Roadmap

12-month Process	Planning for CCBHC Implementation (January 2025 – December 2025)											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Steering committee(s)	Develop committee(s)		Maintain committees, subcommittees, and partnerships (e.g., state, clinics, associations) with regular meeting cadences, notes, and deliverables to ensure stakeholder and community engagement in the CCBHC demo									
Populations & service areas	Solicit input from focus populations to identify potential CCBHCs & their service areas				Identify population health needs and secure insight from those communities, work with providers to select initial sites and regions they will serve as CCBHCs							
CCBHC training & education	Identify and provide TA needs for providers (e.g., CCBHC-PPS, billing, quality measures) as possible											
Infrastructure for data quality	Identify data collection infrastructure needs and begin processes for quality measurement					Onboard and maintain technology platforms for clinic and state efforts to ensure accurate measurement of quality measures and population health needs						
Assess clinic & community needs	Launch and complete community needs assessments and clinic readiness assessments					Assure clinics' community needs assessments and clinic readiness assessments are complete, accurate, and aligned for criteria and certification needs						
Scope of Services & Certification	Finalize Scope of Services and activities that will be included in certification & PPS rate				Formalize CCBHC criteria & Create certification process			Work with clinics to meet SAMHSA and state certification criteria, certify clinics, and plan for future certifications				
Establish CCBHC-PPS					Select CCBHC PPS		Establish a CCBHC-PPS system and work with clinics to help calculate a clinic-specific rate			Establish payment operations & review cost reports		
CMS Approval for CCBHC					Prepare to apply for the Demonstration in 2026							

# Grant Updates

- The Steering Committee and three subcommittees have been established
  - Please visit the CCBHC Planning Grant webpage to register to attend
- CCBHC Feedback Survey
  - Will remain available through the rest of the CCBHC Planning Grant year
- 1st Programmatic Progress Report submitted

# HMA Planning Grant Support

Welcome, Health Management Associates!

They provide expertise as design and strategy consultants.

The HMA team assisted in completing Colorado's application for the CCBHC Planning Grant in 2024



# Prospective Payment System Subcommittee

	Daily Base Rate	Monthly Base Rate
PPS Rate Inclusive of Crisis Services	PPS-1	PPS-2
Separate Crisis Services PPS Rate	PPS-3	PPS-4

- PPS 1 vs PPS 3 Crosswalk

- State SME recommendation to pursue PPS-1
  - Most feasible transition from current state to PPS-1
  - Confidence that appropriate rate measurements can be obtained from PPS-1 without undue administrative burden
- PPS Subcommittee mulling the pros/cons of PPS-3
  - Could PPS-3 better reflect costs of services when accounting for variance in service delivery? What about the risk?
  - Are additional insights available?
  - Meeting with New Hampshire



# Quality Measure Data Management

- CCBHC requires 5 clinic collected and 13 state collected measures ([CCBHC quality measures guidance](#))
- The Quality Measures subcommittee is currently working on a crosswalk to determine where these measures are currently used in Colorado's behavioral health ecosystem
- In parallel we are considering options for data collection that will *meet requirements* in a way that aims to *minimize provider burden*
- These options and current progress on the data collection plan will be presented at stakeholder meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month ([Zoom Registration](#))

# Certification & Provider Readiness

- Regulatory Affairs Unit onboarded
- Certification-focused subcommittee is May 6 at 2:00pm
  - Plan to focus on what certification needs are
  - Ensure alignment in understanding with stakeholders
    - Federal and state measures
  - Explore automation of data submission as a prerequisite for certification
  - If time allows, can explore how we plan to achieve via regulation

# CCBHC Steering Committee

## The Steering Committee for the 2025 CO CCBHC Planning Grant:

- 11 panelists
  - **Melissa Eddleman** - HCPF and CCBHC planning grant Primary Investigator
  - **Thomas Miller** - BHA and leading certification design and planning
  - **Jagruiti Shah** - Office of Civil and Forensic Mental Health (OCFMH)
  - **Lauren Snyder** - Lake County Government
  - **Sara Reid** - Clinica Family Health & Wellness
  - **Steven Szapor** - Denver Health and Hospital Authority
  - **Charles Davis** - Crossroads Turning Points
  - **Haley Leonard-Saunders** - Axis Health Systems
  - **Nancy VanDeMark** - Member Advocate
  - **Meghan Francone** - Cascadia Management Groups
  - **Mindy Klowden** - Third Horizons
- CCBHC Steering Committee meetings are virtual and open to the public
  - Please visit the [CCBHC Planning Grant webpage](#) to register



# Engagement Opportunities

- **Monthly Subcommittees - Register on the [CCBHC Webpage](#)**
  - **Certification/Provider**
    - May 6th, 2:00pm
  - **PPS**
    - May 21st, 2:00pm
  - **Quality Measure and Data Collection**
    - May 22nd, 2:00pm
- **Share feedback here: [Feedback Survey](#)**



# HCPF/BHA Next Steps

- Continue Stakeholder Engagement
  - Continue Steering Committee and Subcommittees
  - Monitor **Feedback Survey** responses
- Meet federal grant requirements
  - Grant Reporting Requirements
- Continue exploration of potential CCBHC infrastructure options
  - Finalize initial CCBHC Steering Committee Decision Points in May and June





# Questions?



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# Newsletter Sign-up

Visit the Behavioral Health Benefits page for resources, information, calendar of upcoming events, and to sign up for the monthly behavioral health newsletter:

<https://hcpf.colorado.gov/behavioral-health>

# Thank you!